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	a	Secy to the Board of Revenue	Enquiring if orders were issued for the payment of a pension of Rs 300 per month to the concubines of the late Sethupati Rajah. [This paper is not in the file]
2	u	Do Do	Informing that a new regulation respecting the customs which provides that certain drawbacks shall be allowed on the exportation of Indigo, cotton, wool, hemp, Sunn and all other articles supplied for the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland will be transmitted as soon as [illegible]

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			it is received from the
26/3	"	Secretary to the Board of Revenue	Informing that Collect[or] invariably give an opportunity accused servants, of stating writing anything they may have to say in their defence and before the Board the ful[l] of the accusation and [illegible] and stating that the orders the Board shall be final
25/4	"	Do	Desiring to report of a petition from widow of the late Shaick Derwaish
6/5	"	Do Do	Relating to the claims

Received Letters. Madura Collectors' Office.

Date.	Number.	From whom received:	Substance.
			by the woman who resided at Madras with the deposed Poligar of Ramnad and directing that a moderate daily allowance may be allowed her.
			[This paper is not in the file.]
27/6 [illegible]	"	Secy to the Board of Revenue	Directing further enquiry into the claims of Kadir Sahiba to a chey of land.
7/7	"	Do do	Returning lists of Zoomeah[illegible] for renewal to the descendants of original Zoomeahdars in special cases only and for revision of the list as per instructions of the Board.
28/[illegible]	"	Do do	Transmitting extracts from

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			the Procs of the Board of Revenue embodying General Questions of the Hon'ble Court of Directors regarding the Enams and requesting reply and any Suggestions for the Improvement of the present Enam Regulation that Collectors may wish to offer
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11	"	Sec the Board of Revenue	Authorising the grant of an allowance of half a cully fanam per diem for the Support of the widow and daughters of the late Ramajoshyar a Jymear

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			in his District.
29/11.	2	Sec. to the Board of Revenue	Informing that the order to the Darogah simply directs the levy of a consumption duty not of a double transit duty; stating that tobacco going into Toundiman's Country cannot by any latitude of interpretation be brought under Regulation VI. of 1812; and informing that the general inland duty of 5 p.c is to be levied on all articles passing from this District into the Country held by Toundiman
28/11	4	Do	Do Informing that Common

Date.	Number.	From whom received.	Substance.
			Justice forbids that any description of free person can be forced to remain in any particular spot when his interest or pleasure induces him to remove: and Stating that the persons of Revenue defaulters or any class of individuals subject to the Regulations m[ay] be put under restraint.
2/12	"	Secy. to the Board of Revenue	Informing that that pa[rt] only of Section XXIII Regula[tion] XXVIII of 1802 which req[uires] Commissioners appointe[d] to determine civil Suits

Date.	Number.	From whom received:	Substance.
			been rescinded; and that it is still competent to the Judge of the Zillah to appoint such other persons as he may think duly qualified to facilitate the sale of distrained property when necessary: and stating that applications should be made to the Zillah Court for that purpose if necessary

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To the Collector in

Dindigul & Madura

Sir

Para 1st A new Regulation respecting the Customs, which will be transmitted to you so soon as it is received from the Government provides that certain drawbacks shall be allowed on the exportation of Indigo, Cotton wool, Hemp, Sunn, and all other articles, shipped for the united Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland - it states that application for this drawback must be made to the Collector of Sea Customs at the port of export and at the period when the goods are exported and that he shall issue a Certificate

stating

stating the amount of the previous &
duties and of the drawback allowed.—

2 The following will be the
form of the Certificate in question.—

I hereby certify that AB
has shipped at this Port, on the
for Great Britain the following articles
(Here specify the articles) and that it ap-
pears by the Rowannah or Bill (here the
number and date of the Rowannah or
Bill, and the official designation of
the Officer by whom it may have been
issued must be particularly describ'd)
which has been produced and lodged
in this Office, that duty has been paid
on the said articles as follows.—

General

General Inland duty paid at —— 000

Sea Export duty paid at —— 000

Madras Land duty 000

or

Madras Sea duty - - 000

0000

The Export duty at 2½ ℔ Cent

on the said goods valued at

Pagodas — according to the

Tariff of this Port is 000

The amount of drawback due

to AB is Pagodas 000

which you are hereby directed to pay to A

B or Order —

CD

Collector of Sea Customs

at - -

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The foregoing Certificate, if

issued

Adjustment of the Drawback

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Chargeable to the General Inland duty at	00 . 0 . 0
Ditto — to the Sea Export duty at	00 . 0 . 0
Ditto — to the Madras Land duty	00 . 0 . 0
Ditto — to the Madras Sea duty	00 . 0 . 0
Total Drawback	000 . 0 . 0

issued at any of the Subordinate ports & will be addressed to the Collector of the Land Revenue whose Treasury may be nearest the place of export or if at the Presidency to the Sub Treasurer of Fort St George, and it shall be a sufficient authority to these Officers respectively to discharge the amount thereof which will be debited by them under the head of Drawback to the particular Departments specified in the Statement of adjustment, annexed to the Certificate, and in the proportions therein shewn under detailed orders on this subject as they may receive from the Accountant General.

4 In order to a proper adjustment of the Drawback it will be the

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the duty of the Collectors of Sea Customs, previously to the issue of the Certificates, to ascertain from the Rowannah or Bill delivered to them by the applicant the precise amount of duty levied upon the Goods and how much thereof has been paid at the general inland custom Chokey - the export Sea Custom house at any of the Subordinate ports or the Sea or Land Custom House at Madras. For this purpose, the Collectors of Sea Customs at the Subordinate ports, as well as the Collectors of Sea and Land Customs at the Presidency will be particulary carefull in all cases where Rowannahs shewing previous duties to have been paid, may be

received

received by them in part payment of Customs to distinguish in the new Rowanah or Bill issued by them, how much of the total duty has been actually levied by them, and how much has been previously paid — stating the official designation of the Collector on whose Rowanah the same may have been so paid — For example suppose Cloths, valued at 1000 Pagodas to pay the general transit duty of 5 per Cent at an inland Custom Chauky near Vizagapatam, the owner obtains a Rowanah signed by the Collector of Land Customs at Vizagapatam, shewing 50 Pagodas duty to have been paid thereon — he then proceeds to export the same goods from the port of

Vizagapatam

Vizagapatam for Madras, and, on arrival at the Sea Custom House at Vizagapatam they are valued at 1500 Pagodas the export duty is 8 pr Cent or Pagodas 120 ~~in~~ in part payment of which the land Custom Rowannah for 50 Pagodas is taken, and Pagodas 70 only actually levied the Sea Custom & Collector in ~~th~~ must be careful to distinguish this circumstance in his new & Rawannah as follows.-

Export duty at 8 pr Cent on the following goods valued according to the Tariff of this port at Pagodas 1500 Pagodas - - 120 " "

Deduct inland duty of 5 pr Cent already levied thereon, at a Valuation of Pagodas 1000 by the Collector of land Custom in Vizagapatam - 50 " "

Actual levied here - - - - 70 " "

on

On arrival at Madras, the same goods are landed, and at the Sea Custom House, are valued at Pagodas 2000 .. on which an import duty of 8 or 10 ℔ Cent must be levied, in the following form.—

Import duty of 8 ℔ Cent on the following articles valued according to the Tariff of this port at Pagodas 2000		Pagodas .. 160 ..
Deduct general inland duty of 5 ℔ Cent already levied thereon by the Collector of Land Customs at Vizagapatam on a Valuation of Pagodas 1000 ..	50 ..	
Deduct also export sea duty of 8 ℔ Cent already levied thereon by the Collector of Sea Customs at Vizagapatam on a Valuation of Pagodas .. 1500 ..	70 ..	120 ..
Actually levied at Madras ..		40 ..

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The owner of these goods on exporting them
from Madras to England, applies to the
Collector of Sea Customs at the Presidency for
a Certificate of the drawback, to obtain this,
he must produce the last mentioned bill
or Rowannah, and the drawback on these goods
would then, according to the foregoing form
be calculated as follows —

General inland duty paid at Vizagapatam Pagodas	50 " "
Export sea duty paid at — Ditto	70 " "
Madras sea duty	40 " "
	160 " "
The export duty at 2½ P Cent on the said goods valued according to the Tariff of this port at Pags 2000 is	50 " "
The amount of drawback due to AB is	110 " "

which &c. &c.

Having

5. Having thus ascertained the precise amount of duty originally paid to the inland Customs, the Sea Customs, or the Madras Sea or Land Customs - the Collector of the Sea Customs, previously to issuing the Certificate of drawback will proceed to enter therein an adjust-ment of the drawback according to the form given in the Margin of the Certi-ficate, the amount of drawback to be entered by him as chargeable to each department, bearing the same proport[ion] to the total drawback, as the amount [of] Customs levied by that Department bea[rs] to the total amount of Customs levie[d] thus, supposing the total Customs levied to be Pagodas 160 of which Pagodas 50

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were levied at the land Custom Chokey at Vizagapatam Pagodas 70 at the Sea Custom Chokey there - and Pagodas 40 on import by sea at Madras and the total draw-back to be Pagodas 110 as before stated - The following would be the adjustment of the drawback in the Margin of the Certificate

Chargeable to the general inland duty at Vizagapatam - - Pag^s	34 - 16 - 70
Ditto to the sea, Export duty at D^o - -	48 - 5 - 50
Ditto to the sea import duty at Madras - - - - - -	27 - 22 - 40
Total Pagodas - -	110 - - -

6. The Collectors of Sea Customs shall cause the adjustment of the drawback as thus entered in the Certificate, to be indorsed on the Rowanah or Bill delivered to them

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by the applicant, and shall return the Rawannah or Bill, thus endorsed to the Officer by whom it was issued - forwarding Copies thereof, with copies of endorsement thereon for the information of each of the other public Officers who may be chargeable with any portion of the drawback -

7 No certificate of drawback shall be issued by the Collectors of the Customs until the full duties of export to which the goods may be liable shall have been previously levied -

8 Under the act of the 53^d of the King, the goods of the Honorable Company become liable to the same rates and duties as those of private Merchants, but it has been resolved that the amount thereof

shall

shall be brought to account, without being actually levied in money - as regards the mode in which these Orders are to be carried into effect at the Sea Ports it will be for the Board of Trade to issue such directions as they may deem proper - the following are communicated for the guidance of the Collectors of Land Customs in the interior and at Madras.—

9 All goods dispatched from the weaving Villages to the Companys Factories are required by clause fourth Section XIV Regulation 1812 - to be accompanied by a Certificate under the Seal and Signature of the Commercial Resident - This Certificate will specify the quantity - quality - and value of the goods dispatched.—

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10th On the arrival of su[ch goods]
at a general inland Chokey, the Choke[dar]
shall examine the goods and the Certi[ficate]
and shall detain, for the orders of the
any goods not the property of the Comp[any]
attempted to be passed under the cover
that document - The Certificate shall
be delivered to the Chokedar in paym[ent of]
the General inland duty of 5 pr Cen[t]
the goods, if piece goods, shall be stamped
with his Seal - In lieu of the Certificate, the
Chokedar shall grant to the person in
charge of the goods a Rawanah, in the usual
form, entering the Valuation of the goods
at the rate of the Chokey Tariff - calculatin[g]
5 pr Cent thereon - and stating the amo[unt]
of duty charged he will enter in this B[ook]

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the number and quality of the goods Verbatim as Stated in the Certificate - The Rawanah thus issued shall exempt from all further demand of the general inland duty and shall be received in part payment of any other duty to which the goods may become liable - it shall therefore be delivered with the goods at the Factory. -

11 The Certificate received by the Chokidar shall be endorsed by him as follows "Value of the goods herein mentioned according to the Tariff of this Choky "Star Pagodas 0000 duty thereon at 5 p" "Cent - Star Pagodas 000 for which sum I issued a Rawanah No. — dated —"

A. B.
Chokydar of

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12 The Certificate thus endorsed shall be transmitted by the Chokedar, without any entry in his accounts, to the Collector, [illegible] at the termination of each month sho[uld] transmit an abstract thereof to the Acco[unt]ant General, in order that the amount [of] Rawanahs thus issued may be credit[ed] [to] the territorial revenues.—

13 As the Commercial Department will thus be debited, in the first instance, for the amount of all goods delivered at the Factory - it is to be understood, in the case of goods rejected there, and redelivered to the weaver, that the Commercial Residents will make arrangements for recovery from the weavers individually the amount

amount of duty thereon — On payment of the sums thus recovered into the Collector's Treasury, the amount will be carried to account under the head of Customs and a receipt will be granted by the Collector to the Commercial Resident for the amount in order that the same may be transmitted to the accountant General's Office, where it will be deducted from the amount of the duties Chargeable on the Company's goods —

14 Goods the property of the Hon'ble Company, forwarded from any of the inland Factories to Madras must be accompanied with the Rawanah shewing the general inland duty to have been Charged in order that they may be exempted from all detention

detention on their rout to the Presidency.
On arrival at the Madras Land Custom House, the Collector shall examine the goods and the Rawanah, and shall detain, for the orders of the Board of Revenue, any goods not the property of the Honorable Company attempted to be passed under cover of that document - the Rawanah shall then be delivered to the Collector of Land Customs in payment of the Madras duties by land and, in lieu thereof, he shall issue to the Superintendent of Investment a new Rawanah, in the form given in para 6 entering the valuation of the goods at Madras, Calculating the rate of duty thereon, and stating that of the whole duty Pag^s 00, had been

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already charged by the Collector of —— and that the difference being Pagodas 00 had been now charged at Madras. In this new Rawa=nah, the number and quality of the goods shall be entered verbatim from the old one and the amount of the Collector's fees chargeable on the goods shall be charged, but not levied.

15 The old Rawanah received by the Collector of Madras shall be endorsed by him as follows Value of the goods herein mentioned accord=ing to the Madras Land Tariff Pagodas .0000 ..

Madras Land duty thereon at ℔ Cent Do. .000
Already charged at on a Valuation
of Pagodas .... Do. ..00

Difference .... Do. .000

Collectors fees .... Do. .0

Total Pagodas 000

for

for which sum I issued a Rawanah No. dated — — ,

A. B.
Collector of Madras.

16 At the conclusion of each Month, the Collector of Madras shall submit to the Accountant General an abstract of all Rawanahs thus issued in order that the amount may be credited to the territorial revenues —

17 The Certificate for the drawback on the goods of the Honorable Company exported to England will be as follows —

I hereby Certify that the Honorable Company has shipped at this port on the — for Great Britain the following articles (Here specify the articles) and that it appears by

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by the Rawannah or Bill (here the number and date of the Rawannah or Bill, and the Official designation of the Officer by whom it may have been issued must be particularly described) which has been produced and lodged in this Office, that duty has been discharged on the said articles as follows —

General inland duty charged at —	000
Sea export duty charged at —	000
Madras Land duty	000
or	
Madras Sea duty	000
	0000

The export duty at 2½ P Cent on the said goods valued at Pag — according to the Tariff of this Port is — 000

The amount of drawback due to the Hon'ble Company is Pagodas — 000

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Adjustment of the drawback	P	f	c
Chargeable to the General inland duty at —	00	0	0
D° to the Sea export duty at —	00	0	0
Ditto to the Madras Land duty	00	0	0
or			
D° to the Madras Sea duty	00	0	0
Total Drawback	00	0	0

which you are hereby directed to place to

To the Commercial Accountant at Madras } the credit of the Commercial Department debiting the territorial revenues for the amount.—

18 The foregoing certificate will be forwarded by the Officer charged with the Shipment of the goods to the Office of the Accountant General where the necessary adjustment will be made.—

I am

Sir,

Your most Obedient Servant

[signature]

Secretary

Fort St George } 29th February 1816

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To the Collector in Dindigul & Madura

Sir,

Para 1st As the business of the Board of Revenue has been very much increased of late by the presentation of appeals on the part of suspended or dismissed servants, it has become absolutely necessary to obviate the great inconvenience resulting from this unnecessary augmentation of public business, again to call the attention of Collectors to the provisions of Regulations I. A. D. 1809 and V. A. D. 1811 and to the Circular letter of 30th May 1814.

Collectors

2 Collectors must be careful in all cases to afford to servants who are accused the opportunity of stating in writing any thing they may have to say in their defence, that when the case is submitted for the determination of the Board the full merits of the accusation and defence may be laid before them, and the decision of the Board be final.—

3. You are required to state whether you insist on Petitions and other documents delivered in to you by servants or others to be written on stampt paper. The Regulation for Stamps does not require that these documents should be presented to you on stampt paper. It requires only that Petitions addressed to the Board and to the Governor

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Governor in Council &ca. should be on stampt paper.

Fort St. George
4 March 1816
Desp. 3 Do.

I am
Sir,
Your most Obedient servant.
[signature]
Secretary.

Comp.
W.G.

Revenue Department

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To the Collector in Dindigul and Madura

Sir,

Para 1st. I am directed by the President and Members of the Board of Revenue to transmit enclosed the original of a Petition from Cadersaheba widow of decd Kereem Shah Derwaish.

2. You will observe that the Petitioner asserts that she has presented three Petitions to you at different periods on which it does not appear that you have passed any order or decision.

3. As no Register of Petitions has of late been received from you the Board have not the means of ascertaining the truth of

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the Woman's assertion.

4 You will immediately report the circumstances of the case and in future submit the Register of Petitions regularly at the period prescribed in my letter of the 26th November 1812 and subsequently noticed in the Circular dated 14 March 1816.

Fort St. George
25th April 1816

Desp.d 27 D.o

I am
Sir,
Your most obedient servant
J. Hanbury
Secretary

Comp. W.G.n

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To the Collector in Dindigul and Madura

Sir,

Para 1. I am directed by the President and Members of the Board of Revenue to acknowledge the receipt of your letter with its enclosures under date 13th Instant respecting the enquiry you have made into the claims of Cader Sahibah to a Chey of land.

2 In reference to enclosure A it does not appear that the petitioner has any just claim to the land in question. The circumstantial account she gives however of the issue of the grant and the actual enjoyment

enjoyment of the land by her husband and by herself will afford the means on a more minute investigation into the truth of her assertions of dectecting their falsehood or of confirming their truth, the Petitioner has been recommended to appear at your Cutcherry to support her claim

I am,

Sir,

Your Most Obedient Servant

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Secretary

Fort St. George

27th June 1816

Recd 4 July

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To the Collector in Dindigul and Madura

Sir,

Para 1 I am directed by the President and Members of the Board of Revenue to acknowledge the receipt of your letter with its enclosures under date 13th Instant— respecting the enquiry you have made into the claims of Cader Sahibah to a chey of Land—

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minute investigation into the truth of her
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confirming their truth—

3 The Petitioner has been—
recommended to appear at your Cutcherry
to support her claim—

I am

Fort St. George Sir,

27th June 1816. Your most Obedient Servant

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Secretary—

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To the Collector in Dindigul and
Madura

Sir,

Para 1 I am directed by the President and Members of the Board of Revenue to acknowledge the receipt of your letter under date the 29th ultimo.

2 The Board, on general principles, are averse to the renewal of Yeomiahs which have lapsed to Government being of opinion that to grant to the descendants of deceased Yeomiahdars the pittance which they enjoyed during their life time; tends rather to encourage idleness and to perpetuate

perpetuate poverty, than to relieve distress-
The Board however will not object to bring
to the notice of Government any cases of
peculiar distress that may appear to the
local authorities deserving of a favorable
consideration -

3 With this remark, I am directed to return the enclosures forwarded with your letter, and to desire that you will attentively re-consider each individual case, and submit those only to the Board that appear to you to call in a special manner for relief from Government in this event, you will recommend that a pension be conferred not upon the whole family, but on such particular member

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of it as may appear most deserving,
and most requiring aid, nor is it necessa-
-ry that the whole of a pension should be
continued in every case, the amount
should be regulated by the circumstances
of the parties, and should in no case
exceed the amount of the original
pension — and the period of the grant
is also to be considered; where the party
to whom it is granted is old, it may be
for life, but in cases where it may be
expected that the parties may hereafter
obtain assistance from their children
or relations, it should be limited
to the period when their children and

relations

relations are likely to afford relief to them.

Fort St. George
8th July 1816

Despd. 17 Do.

I am
Sir,
Your most Obedient Servant
J. Hanbury
Secretary

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REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

To The Collector in Madura & Dindigul

Sir,

Para. 1. I am directed by the President and Members of the Board of Revenue to transmit to you the accompanying Extract from their Proceedings, dated the 14th Instant.

2. The information called for is required by the Board from each Collector, notwithstanding all the questions may not apply to each Collectorate, or that the information may have been already transmitted from some Districts.

3. The Board will be glad to receive any suggestions for the improvement of the present Curnum Regulation that Collectors may wish to offer.

4. Your reply will be expected on or before the 1st March 1817,—considerable delay often occurs in obtaining Answers to Circular Letters, which you are requested to obviate by furnishing your reply within the prescribed period.

I am,

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant

FORT ST. GEORGE,
28th October 1816.

Recd 15 Novr

[signature]

Secretary.

Extract *from the Proceedings of the* **Board of Revenue**, *dated the 14th October* 1816.

Para. 1. The Honorable the Court of Directors, in their General Letter of the 12th April 1815, observe as follows:

Para. 156. " It is satisfactory to learn that an opening has been left in the* " Settlement (of the Southern Division of Arcot) for any new arrangement which it " may be thought proper to adopt, respecting the Cavelly and Devastanum Lands, " and also, that the Curnums and Taliars have been made dependent on Govern- " ment for the payment of their allowances,—we have some doubts whether, as these " Officers are paid by Government, their nomination should be left to the Renters, " subject to the Collector's sanction. Mr. Ravenshaw says, it is fair that it should " be so, but if there are not good reasons to the contrary, we think it desirable that " the power of appointing them should be reserved to the Collectors."

"†In the opinion expressed by the Revenue Board as to the expediency of " restoring to the Village Officers in the Southern Division of Arcot, and wherever " else they may have been resumed, their Mauniams, or Service lands, and fees in " kind, we entirely concur, and we direct that measures may forthwith be taken " for that purpose."

2d. So long ago as the year 1800, the Governor in Council, in a Letter addressed to the Board of Revenue, dated 21st June 1800, recorded on this subject the following observations.

" We have invariably expressed our conviction of the justice and expediency " of paying the utmost degree of attention to the religious institutions of the coun- " try; and we approve the means taken by the Collector (of Dindigul) for ascer- " taining the authenticity of the tenures by which those in the Conquered Districts " have been holden. We confirm, therefore, the appropriation of Star Pagodas " 11,012 to the support of the principal Pagodas, and readily consent that the " amount of surplus Devadayum shall be allotted to the maintenance of the Village " Pagodas.

" We direct that distinct Grants shall be issued for the continuance of these " religious establishments and regularly registered in the records of the Collector's " Cutcherry; but you will provide that in issuing the Sunnud for this purpose the " Collector shall acknowledge the antiquity of the institution, in order that the " present resolution may appear to be no more than a confirmation of prescriptive " rights.

" With respect to the Enams which may appear to have been established ante- " cedently to the Mahomedan usurpation, by the resident Gours and other Hindoo " Officers, we shall be disposed to sacrifice the definition of the right of these " tenures to the happiness and comfort of the people. We desire, however, that a " list and description may be submitted to our early consideration.

" In the restoration of the funds for these religious institutions, it will be neces- " sary to provide for the economical administration of them by a vigilant attention " to their interests on the part of the Collector; in order to prevent those abuses " which have been found by experience to attend a relaxation of the superintend- " ing power in other parts of the Company's dominions.

" We have considered the observations of the Collector (of Dindigul) on the " restoration of the Village Sibbendy, and entirely concur in the expediency of that " measure, but we doubt the propriety of depriving these Officers of their heredi- " tary and ancient privileges, by substituting the payment of wages in money, in " lieu of the distinctions and property annexed to the performance of their respec- " tive duties. By recurring to the institutions of the ancient Government, we " expect

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* This refers to the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue on the Decennial Settlement of the Southern Division of Arcot, of which the subjoined is an Extract.

† " As the opinion of the Government expressed in the Minute of Council above referred to, concurred with those " of the late and present Collector and of the Board, respecting the policy of rendering Curnums and Taliars inde- " pendent of the Renters, no further observation on this subject is needful. Respecting the restoration of their " Mauniams, in lieu of which their present money allowance is made, the Board will report separately to " Government, this being a question to be determined with reference to several other Districts as well as the " Southern Division of Arcot."

" expect to conciliate the affections of the people, and at the same time to secure a
" better foundation for the proper discharge of those duties in the interests and
" attachment of the Officers themselves."

3d. With the view to the consideration of the best means of carrying the intentions of the Honorable Court into execution, of improving the present Curnum Regulations and of placing the other branches of alienations which have been referred to, upon a more defined and uniform footing, it is resolved to require from the several Collectors, information on the following points.

I. Were the lands or produce thereof, as assigned to Curnums and other Village Servants, including Police (Kavelly) Servants, ever assumed in your District, the value collected and paid to the Incumbents from the Huzoor or Talook Treasuries?

II. If so, in what year was the assumption made?

III. Under what authority did this assumption and change take place; that is, was the measure authorized by the Board of Revenue or the Governor in Council, before it was carried into execution, or subsequently approved only?

IV. Whether the Enam * lands of the Head Inhabitants were assumed at the same time, or subsequently?

V. Whether the Enam lands of the Head Inhabitants prior to their assumption, were enjoyed in shares or by one person only?

VI. Whether the pecuniary payments now made to the Head Inhabitant † in lieu of the Enam land (in the cases where the land has been resumed) is received and appropriated by one person or divided into shares?—Inquiry on this subject must be made among the Head Inhabitants themselves, and the Village Curnums, the Board having reason to know that the changes nominally effected in the Circar or public accounts, have not always been virtually attended to by the people themselves.

VII. It is understood of course that the Head Inhabitants cultivate their own Enam land, whether the circar share has been resumed or not; but the Collectors will report whether the Curnums of their District cultivate their own Enam land, or by means of their Relatives or of hired Labourers, or whether the Curnum Enam lands are usually cultivated by the cultivating class of Inhabitants of the Village?

VIII. The resumption of the Curnum and other Enams, and the causing the value of the Government share to be paid in money, must, in the cases in which the Curnums and other Village Servants cultivated their own Enam land, have caused them to pay a land tax for the land so cultivated, and to receive it back again as wages,—Collectors will state whether this has been the actual result of the arrangement in their District.

IX. Do any other Village Servants cultivate their Enams either themselves, by their Relations or by hired Servants? If they do not, by whom are these Enam lands generally cultivated? Give a list of Village Servants in the Form annexed, not for each Village, but of such as are found in the District generally.

X. Who in general cultivates the Enam lands assigned for the support of large and small Pagodas, Mosques or other endowed institutions?

XI. Who in general cultivates the Enams granted to Bramins and to others for their support, such persons not being Village Officers or Head Inhabitants? In many Districts this class of Enamdars are termed *Sunnud Enamdars,* as holding their Enams under Sunnuds from the Government or from the representatives of Government, Rajahs, Zemindars, Poligars, &c.

XII. Are the Enams in all cases above enumerated, and in all other cases, so well defined that it can be distinctly asserted that it is the land that is granted; that is, do all the Village Enamdars and Patrons or Priests of temples, and all Sunnud Enamdars,

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* or Maunium.

† Goundo-Maniam,—Dindigul.
Meerassdars-Enam } In the Carnatic.
Caniatchy-Maunium }
Potail-Enam } Ceded Districts.
Rheddie-Enam }
Monigar-Enam,—Coimbatore.

Enamdars, know the boundary marks of their respective Enam lands and the names of the fields? and are the boundary marks registered or recorded? In fact, it is the desire of the Board that each Collector should distinctly state whether it is so much public revenue of a given quantity of cultivated land, that is so much land tax, that is annually made over for the maintenance and support of Head Inhabitants, Village Officers, Public Institutions, and Individuals, or whether it is actually a defined extent of land, rent free, that is so assigned?

XIII. Is it customary for Enamdars to claim an equivalent for the value of the produce of their Enams in those cases where, from accident or design, their actual Enam land (supposing it to be defined as above) has not been cultivated?

XIV. Is there any Register in your Cutcherry of the Enams in each Village?

XV. Does it describe the extent of each of the several Enams and shew what are held under Sunnuds, or what held by prescription or ancient custom?

4th. It is to be understood that no part of these questions apply to entire Villages held in Enam.

(True Extract.)

Secretary.

FORM *for preparing the list of* VILLAGE ENAMDARS.

Description of Enams in the language of the District.	Description in English.	Average extent of Land held by each description of Enamdar.	Remarks.
	A Statement for each Village is not required. A general list of each description of Enamdar is all that is wanted.	The Board are aware that the entry in this column can only be an estimate. The extent of Land to be entered, in the land measure in use in the District.	Where any of the Enamdars enjoy other emoluments of office, such as fees in money or in kind, the circumstance should be noticed.

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Revenue Department

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To the Collector in Madura and Dindigul

Sir,

I am directed by the President and Members of the Board of Revenue to acknowledge the receipt of your letter under date 18th ~~Ultimo and~~ under the circumstances detailed in its enclosure to convey to you their Authority for granting an allowance of ½ Cully fanam for the support of the Widow and Daughter of Ramaiyo seyer late Yeomiahdar

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in your District.

I am

Sir,

Your most Obedient Servant

G. Hanbury

Secretary

Fort St. George
4th November 1816
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To the Collector in Dindigul and Madura

Sir,

Para 1. In reply to your letter of the 11th instant, I am directed by the President and Members of the Board of Revenue to inform you that you will receive orders on the subject of the 2d para, in a Circular letter.

2 With regard to the 3d para I am directed to remark that the explanation you have given is not satisfactory. The order to the Darogah directs the levy of a consumption duty not of a double transit

transit duty.— Tobacco going into Toondiman's Country cannot by any latitude of interpretation be brought under Regulation VI of A. D. 1812.—

3 In reply to the 4th para I am directed to inform you that the general inland duty of 5 per Cent is what the Board consider you authorized to levy on all Articles in your tariff passing from your Districts into the Country held by Toondiman

I am
Sir
Your Most Obedient Servant
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Secretary.—

Fort St. George
21st November 1816
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To the Collector in Madura and Dindigul

Sir

Para 1 The Board of Revenue have lately observed, in the Diaries of several Collectors, that orders have been issued by them directing certain Ryots who are stated to have been enticed away, or to have deserted from their Villages, to be sent back — Where Ryots have entered into engagements with Collectors in their capacity either of revenue Officers, or of Superintendents of minor, or attached estates,

estates, and fail in the performance of such engagements, the Regulations prescribe the mode of proceeding to be observed to punish them for a breach of engagement or to compel a fulfilment of them.

2 The laws now in existence for the protection of all classes of the Company's subjects do not allow, and common justice forbids, that any description of free person should be forced to remain in any particular spot when his interest or his pleasure induces him to remove. You will accordingly understand that the Board consider the orders alluded to in the first part of this letter

letter as having been illegally and improperly issued.

3 These remarks do not of course apply to the persons of Revenue Defaulters or to any class of individuals whose persons the Regulations allow of being put under restraint in cases therein defined. Nor to those who are under obligations to perform local services, and who of course cannot absent themselves without being first legally divested of such obligation.

Fort S^t. George
20th. November 1816
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I am
Sir
Your most Obedient Servant
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Secretary

Ex^d. E.B.

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Revenue Department

To the Collector in Dindigul and Madura.

Sir,

Para 1 By section II Regulation VI 1816 "such part of section XXIII Regulation XXVIII of 1802 as regards native Commission-ers" has been rescinded and it has come to the knowledge of the President and Members of the Board of Revenue that, under this enactment, it has been very generally understood in the interior that there is no power, now vested in the Zillah Courts to appoint persons to sell distrained property and

& that consequently the same cannot
be sold in the legal manner prescribed
by the Regulations.—

2 To prevent misconception
on this subject, I am directed to explain
that that part only of Section XXIII
Regulation XXVIII of 1802 which requires
Commissioners appointed to determine
civil suits has been rescinded and that
it is still "competent to the Judge of
"the Zillah to appoint such other persons
"as he may think duly qualified to
"facilitate the sale of distrained property
"where particular circumstances may
"render such measure necessary.—

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3 34. [illegible] persons [illegible] this descrip-
-tion have not yet appointed [illegible] Vakeels
will apply by motion through the
Government Vakeel to the Zillah
Court requesting that they may be
nominated as soon as possible and
should the Zillah Judge give an
interpretation to section [illegible] Regulation
XXI [illegible] different from that [illegible] given above,
Collectors will appeal in the regular
manner to the Provincial Court —

4 Zemindars or Mootahdars
applying to you for information how
they can procure the legal title of
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distrained property should have the

course of proceeding herein laid down

explained to them.—

I am

Fort St. George

Sir

2. December 1815

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Your most Obed^t Servant

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Secretary

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